

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested.

A. Status of the Claims and Explanation of Amendments

By this paper the title is amended. This amendment is believed to resolve the objection to the specification of the May 31, 2005 Office Action at page 2. Applicant notes, however, that the title have been amended to enable the United States Patent and Trademark Office and the public generally to determine quickly from a cursory inspection the nature and gist of the technical disclosure and to aid indexing, classifying and searching. 37 C.F.R. § 1.72(b); MPEP § 606.01. These amendments are *not* intended to narrow, limit, alter or otherwise characterize what Applicants' regard as their invention. It is, of course, the claims and not the title that defines the invention being claimed. Withdrawal of the objection to the title is requested.

Claims 1-7 were pending. At the outset, Applicant notes that claims 2 and 3 were identified by the Examiner as reflecting patentable subject matter. These claims were, however, objected to in the Office Action since they depended from a rejected claim.

By this paper, claims 1, 3, 6 and 7 have been amended, and claim 2 has been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. Independent claim 1 was amended in several regards. First, the introductory portion of the claim was amended from "A printing apparatus" to "An apparatus for controlling a printhead of a printing apparatus." Second, the introductory portion of the claim was amended to clarify that the printhead is moved "across" a printing medium, instead of "on." Similar amendments were also made to claims 6 and 7. In addition, the word "to" was inserted as the word "referring" in claim 7. In addition, a spelling error ("information"

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was changed to “information”) was corrected in claim 7. These amendments were not made for any substantial reason (35 U.S.C. §§ 102 or 103) related to patentability. Moreover, these amendments are believed to resolve the objection to claims 1 and 3-7 of the May 31, 2005 Office Action at page 2. Entry is requested.

In addition, independent claim 1 has been amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter of previously pending claim 2. Similar, amendments were made to independent claims 6 and 7. In addition, claim 3 has been amended to conform to independent claim 1, from which it depends.

No new matter will be added to this application by entry of these amendments.

Applicant respectfully asserts that claims 1, and 3-7 are allowable.

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CONCLUSION

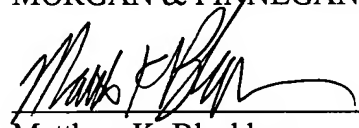
This application is respectfully asserted to be in condition for allowance. An early and favorable examination on the merits is requested. In the event that a telephone conference would facilitate the examination of this application in any way, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number provided.

THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY ADDITIONAL FEES WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED FOR THE TIMELY CONSIDERATION OF THIS AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 AND 1.17, OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 13-4500, ORDER NO. 1232-5117.

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